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Connecticut House Public Health Committee Legislative Office Building Room 3000 Hartford, CT 06106

## Dear Committee Members:

I am Frank J. Favata III and I am the President of the New Hampshire State Society of Medical Assistants. I am offering my full support on the proposed bill authorizing credentialed medical assistants to administer certain medications under the delegation and supervision of licensed practitioners. (Proposed H.B. NO. 6025)

Providers in the state of New Hampshire have been delegating these tasks to credentialed medical assistants for several years now as we are greatly appreciated and respected in our field. The quality of care has not declined and in my opinion has improved as nurses in our offices have been freed up to perform higher level tasks under their scope of practice allowing them to have more time working with patients that need more urgent care.

I also have been working closely with the New Hampshire Division of Public Health and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention over the past 2 years. Their Annual Immunization Conference is being held on March 22, 2017. They have had their conference open to any type of provider in the medical field, however, for the first time they will be including credentialed medical assistants in their lineup of medical professionals who will receive continuing education credits submitted by them for their participation at the conference. This is a huge step in recognizing the importance and confidence that the state itself has in the competency levels of credentialed medical assistants in our state.

Sincerely,

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